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- (54) Title: MONITORING OF INDIVIDUAL INTERNET USAGE
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(57) Abstract

Disclosed is a device and method in which the on-line activities of an on-line user are monitored and stored. Information regarding the user's activities are used as a basis for targeting advertisements to the user. Monitoring is performed by a client monitoring application, which performs monitoring without intruding on the user's activities. According to one aspect of the invention, URLs in the address bar of the browser application are obtained by the client monitoring application. According to another aspect of the invention, the stream of URLs transmitted by the browser application are obtained by the client monitoring application. According to another aspect of the invention, information in displayed web pages is obtained by the client monitoring application.

(57) Abrégé

L'invention concerne un système et un procédé permettant de surveiller et d'enregistrer les activités en ligne d'un utilisateur. Les informations relatives aux activités de l'utilisateur servent de base pour lui adresser des publicités. Une application cliente de surveillance assure la surveillance des activités de l'utilisateur sans intrusion dans ces dernières. Selon un mode particulier de l'invention, les adresses URL situées dans la barre d'adresses de l'application d'exploration sont obtenues par l'application cliente de surveillance. Selon un autre aspect de l'invention, le flux d'adresses URL transmis par l'application d'exploration est obtenu par l'application cliente de surveillance. Selon un dernier aspect de l'invention, les informations contenues dans les pages Web affichées sont obtenues par l'application cliente de surveillance.